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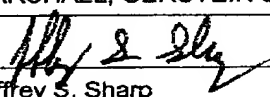
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the Office Action of May 31, 2005 in which all elected claims (41 and 76-153) remain rejected under one or more of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102(b) and 103(a), and for obviousness-type double patenting.

**A Listing of the Pending Claims** begins on Page 2 of this paper.

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